

TUNISIA

a. SUMMARY OF CLAIMS

TYPE	DATE	SOURCE	LIMITS	NOTES
I. TERRITORIAL SEA	Jul 51	Beylical Decree	3nm	
	Dec 63	Law 63-49	6nm	
	Aug 73	Law 73-49	12nm	
II. ARCHIPELAGIC, STRAIGHT BASELINES, & HISTORIC CLAIMS	Aug 73	Law 73-49		Mandated straight baselines closing Gulf of Tunis and Gulf of Gabes; and to be drawn to Chebba Shoals and Kerkennah Islands.
	Nov 73	Decree		Established straight baselines.
III. CONTIGUOUS ZONE	Nov 86	Act No. 22	24nm	
V. FISHING ZONE/EEZ	Jul 51	Decree	3nm	Exclusive fishing zone; extended to 50 meter isobath in Gulf of Gabes.
	Oct 62	Law 62-35	12nm	Fishing zone from Algerian border to Ras-Kapoudia; from Ras Kapoudia to Libyan border, the 50 meter isobath.
VII. MARITIME BOUNDARIES	Dec 78	Agreement		Continental shelf boundary agreement with Italy.
	Feb 82	ICJ Judgment		Libya-Tunisia boundary determined.
	Apr 89	Agreement		Agreement implementing Libya boundary decision EIF.
VIII. LOS CONVENTION	Dec 82			Signed.
	Apr 85			Ratified, with declarations.

b. DOMESTIC LEGISLATION AND REGULATIONS

1. STRAIGHT BASELINES

A. LEGISLATION. The following is extracted from Law No. 73-49 of 2 August 1973 establishing Tunisian straight baselines:

Article 1. The Tunisian territorial sea, from the Tunisian-Algerian boundary to the Tunisian-Libyan boundary, around the islands, the Chebba shoals, and the Kerkennah islands where permanent fisheries are established, and around the El Bibane low-tide elevations, shall be composed of the part of the sea which extends to a boundary line established 12 nautical miles from the baselines.

The baselines shall be formed by the low-water line and by straight baselines drawn towards the Chebba shoals and the Kerkennah islands where permanent fisheries are established, and by the closing lines of the Gulfs of Tunis and Gabes.

These baselines shall be specified by decree.

Article 2. Inland waters shall include:

a. The waters of the Gulf of Tunis to the line joining Cape Sidi Ali el Mekki, Plane Island, the northern tip of Zembra island, and Cape Bon.

b. The waters of the Gulf of Gabes to the line joining Ras-Es-Samun and Ras Turgoeness.

c. MARITIME BOUNDARIES

AGREEMENT BETWEEN LIBYA AND TUNISIA TO IMPLEMENT THE JUDGMENT OF THE INTERNATIONAL COURT OF JUSTICE
IN THE TUNISIA/LIBYA CONTINENTAL SHELF CASE

Article 1

The continental shelf delimitation line between the two countries consists of two sectors as follows:

A. The First Sector. Starts from the point where the outer limit of the territorial sea of the two countries is intersected by a straight line drawn from the land frontier point of Ras Ajdir, through the point 33° 55' North and 12° East seaward, forming a bearing of approximately 26° east, thus on the same bearing, to the point of its intersection with the parallel of latitude 34° 10' 30".

B. The Second Sector. At the point determined by the parallel latitude mentioned above (34° 10' 30") the line of delimitation is to veer towards the northeast, with a bearing of 52° and extends northeastwards till it meets a line of delimitation with third States.

MARITIME BOUNDARY: ITALY AND TUNISIA

The following chart plotting the maritime boundary between Italy and Tunisia is extracted from Limits in the Seas, No. 89, "Continental Shelf Boundary: Italy-Tunisia," 07 January 1980:

Annex to the Tunisian-Italian Agreement of August 20, 1971 regarding the Delimitation of the Continental Shelf
between the Two Countries

List of Points Constituting the Median Line and Envelope Sections Defined in Articles I and II of the Agreement:

Points	Latitude (N)	Longitude (E)
0	38° 00.6'	07° 49.0'
1	38° 04.9'	08° 09.6'
2	38° 07.8'	08° 22.3'
3	38° 10.5'	08° 32.5'
4	38° 13.1'	08° 48.8'
5	38° 15.0'	09° 33.8'
6	38° 13.5'	09° 40.4'
7	38° 14.5'	09° 54.2'
8	38° 24.6'	10° 41.7'
9	38° 03.5'	10° 52.7'
10	37° 47.4'	11° 10.3'
11	37° 41.2'	11° 09.0'
12	37° 24.5'	11° 42.0'
13	37° 22.4'	11° 45.5'
14	37° 20.6'	11° 48.2'
15	37° 14.2'	11° 52.7'
16	37° 08.4'	11° 56.8'
17	37° 03.8'	12° 00.9'
18	North intersection of the envelope line of circles having the low-water line of Pantelleria as centers and a radius of 13 miles, and of the median line joining point 17 and auxiliary point 18A defined hereunder.	
18A	36° 55.5'	12° 06.5'
19	South intersection of the envelope line of circles having the low-water line of Pantelleria as centers and a radius of 13 miles, and of the median line joining auxiliary point 18A defined above and point 20 defined hereunder.	

The line of delimitation between points 18 and 19 is constituted by the west arc of the envelope of circles having the low-water line of Pantelleria as center and a radius of 13 miles.

20	36° 35.0'	12° 21.2'
21	36° 23.0'	12° 29.4'
22	36° 21.7'	12° 30.2'
23	36° 15.2'	12° 32.4'
24	36° 08.7'	12° 38.1'

25 The north intersection of the envelope line of circles having the low-water line of Linosa as centers and a radius of 13 miles, and of the median line joining point 24 to auxiliary point 25a defined hereunder.

25A	35° 52.3'	12° 51.0'
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26 North intersection of the envelope line of circles having the low-water line of Linosa as centers and a radius of 13 miles, and of the envelope line of circles having the low-water line of Lampedusa as centers and a radius of 13 miles.

The line of delimitation between points 25 and 26 is constituted by the north arc of the envelope of circles having the low-water line of Linosa as centers and a radius of 13 miles.

27 North intersection of the envelope line of circles having the low-water line of Lampedusa as centers and a radius of 13 miles and of the envelope line of circles having the low-water line of Lampione as centers and a radius of 12 miles.

The line of delimitation between points 26 and 27 is constituted by the north arc of the envelope of circles having the low-water line of Lampedusa as centers and a radius of 13 miles.

28 South intersection of the envelope line of circles having the low-water line of Lampione as centers and a radius of 12 miles and of the envelope line of circles having the low-water line of Lampedusa as centers and a radius of 13 miles.

The line of delimitation between points 27 and 28 is constituted by the west arc of envelope of circles having the low-water line of Lampione as centers and a radius of 12 miles.

29 South intersection of the envelope line of circles having the low-water line of Lampedusa as centers and a radius of 13 miles and of the envelope line of circles having the low-water line of Linosa as centers and a radius of 13 miles.

The line of delimitation between points 28 and 29 is constituted by the south arc of envelope of circles having the low-water line of Lampedusa as centers and a radius of 13 miles.

30A	35° 46.5'	13° 01.7'
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30 South intersection of the envelope line of circles having the low-water line of Linosa as centers and a radius of 13 miles and of the median line joining auxiliary point 30A and point 31 defined hereunder.

31	35° 39.6'	13° 11.5'
32	35° 15.0'	13° 36.6'

The points of the line of delimitation as defined above were represented geographically on Italian maritime chart No. 260 at a scale of 1:750,000, Mercator projection, 40° 04' latitude, 1963 edition, reprinted in March 1972, published by the Marine Hydrographic Institute at Genoa.

The line of delimitation is constituted by the arcs of great circles which join the points defined above and by envelope sections around the islands mentioned in Article 2 of the Agreement.

The auxiliary points used in the plotting are not part of the line of delimitation.

This map and the present document were drawn up in application of the Agreement of August 20, 1971 and form an integral part thereof, notwithstanding any other legislative or regulatory provision regarding the definition of baselines enacted after the aforementioned date.